

Questions and Answers resulting from the Group Meeting

Q: In regards to the orientation period, is that included in the base year?

A: No, the base year follows the orientation period.

Q: In regards to qualifications of performance of multi-functions, they aren't clear. What other than supply and RPM is relevant? Is one function weighed more than the others?

A: Any of the other functions included in the solicitation are relevant and weighed equally.

Q: Please explain the disconnect concerning subcontractor qualifications.

A: An amendment has been posted on FedBizOps to reflect only the prime in a prime-subcontractor relationship (other than teaming) be required to possess the minimum qualifications.

Q: Please clarify who must have met the experience requirements as it relates to the minimum qualifications requirements.

A: The PRIME is required to have one year experience to qualify OR in a teaming arrangement with letters of intent or signed unconditional teaming arrangement, the lead team member Or in a joint venture, the participants that formed the entity.

Q: In regards to the Price Performance Evaluations, the slides say for "very relevant", ALL efforts are required.

A: Efforts are construed to be contract actions. Each function of the multi-function Statement of Work will be evaluated for relevancy of contracts that are submitted. Relevancy will be assessed overall with visibility for the Source Selection Authority into relevancy within each function.

Q: Can the Team meet ALL efforts and can the contractor have separate contracts to meet the requirements.

A: Each team member can have up to 5 contracts to meet the multi-function requirement.

Q: Is there a teaming arrangement or letter of intent required for evaluation defining team?

A: Yes. The solicitation will provide submission instructions in Section L.

Q: Are the areas such as Supply and RPM weighted equally with the others in confidence ratings?

A: See response above.

Q: Will Fixed Price Award Fee be considered as "fixed price basis" as stated in the Minimum Qualifications Requirements?

A: Yes.

Q: In proposals, what is the page count?

A: Section L of the solicitation will state the page limitations.

Q: Are you going to provide past history for pricing on recurring consumables and parts and materials?

A: If available.

Q: Is this an incentive contract?

A: No, the current pricing arrangements will be Firm Fixed Price/Time & Materials/Cost Reimbursement.

Q: Can you let us know the functions anticipated for each of the future Solicitations?

A: Yes, a listing for each base, functions to be recompeted and the anticipated milestone schedules will be posted on FedBizOps in the near future.

Q: Does the small business size standard apply individually to the participants in a joint venture?

A: Yes, if the participants are all small businesses. .

Q: Define Binder.

A: All formatting and binding will be addressed in the solicitation.

Q&A resulting from the One-on-One Meetings

Q: Request a definition of “Scope, Magnitude and Complexity” in context to minimum experience stated in the Synopsis. i.e. \$s, square footage, # of people.

A: Program dollars for all Air Force Reserve bases were given and is in the Program Schedule/Values portion of the briefing. It is encouraged that interested parties attend the pre-proposal/site visit to have a better understanding of the square footage, # of personnel that apply to each proposal.

Q: Let the Service Providers worry about binding.

A: The method of binding, i.e requirement for 3-ring binders for each Tab, has been deleted.

Q: As far a page and binder limitations, request a change to the 5 page limitation per Tab to a total number of pages within the Volume.

A: The number of pages allocated per each SOW tab is the discretion of the offeror as long as the total numbers of pages for the Technical Volume are not exceeded.

Q: Will a DCAA audit prior to a recent award suffice for financial capability?

A: No, each Service Provider is required to submit their financial plan in accordance with Section L & M as requested in the solicitation.

Q: Does managing your own vehicle fleet qualify as vehicle experience?

A: Yes, as long as there is a way for the government to verify this experience.

Q: Why are you limiting competition?

A: After conducting Market Research and reviewing the existing contracts, HQ AFRC made the determination that there is a reasonable expectation that offers will be obtained from at least two responsible small business concerns and award will be made at fair market prices. Pursuant to (FAR 19.502-2(b)) we are required to set the acquisition aside for small business concerns.

Q: Establish a dollar value limitation on equipment that would be replaced on a cost reimbursement basis.

A: HQ AFRC has not made a final decision on this issue but will clearly state in the solicitations.

Q: Where is the line of financial responsibility when it comes to routine, but infrequent and often costly transactions with property or equipment?

A: Recurring maintenance is defined as those items of planned work, inspections and tests required on a periodic (for example, daily, weekly, semi-monthly, quarterly, semi-annual and annual) basis to prevent and delay failures of facilities and equipment. All recurring maintenance is included in the firm fixed price.

Q: Should the Service Provider bid in refurbishment and/or component replacement costs?

A: In the Real Property Maintenance area, the cost for recurring maintenance, including the cost of components will be included in the firm fixed price; for Government Furnished Property listed items, the repair/replacement costs are the responsibility of the service provider; for Service Calls, the costs will be reimbursed under the Time-and-Materials line items for RPM service calls.

Q: What if Government Property is deemed economically irreparable at some point?

A: If required for performance of the contract, the property will be replaced. It will depend on the category of property whether the government or Service Provider will replace. These categories of Government Property will be listed in the Technical Exhibits and further defined in the Statement of Work.

Q: Will condition codes be placed on the Service Provider replacement list of equipment in the solicitation?

A: Yes, for those items construed to be high value. The Service Providers will have access to the Custodian Authorization/Custody Receipt Listing (CA-CRL) in each area during the pre-solicitation/site visit.

Q: Who bears the cost for substitution/replacement?

A: It will depend on the category of Government Property listed in the Statement of Work.

Q: Can the protégé use the experience of the mentor to satisfy the minimum qualification (experience) requirements of the solicitation?

A: Under the DoD Program, the relationship between the mentor and the protégé cannot be used to satisfy the minimum experience requirement.

Q: Does the SB size standard apply individually to the participants in a joint venture?

A: If the arrangement includes two or more small business firms, the assets of the firms will be considered individually to satisfy the size standard for the requirement. SBA rules will not consider the firms to be affiliated, in the case of a joint venture; the exclusion will apply. If the arrangement includes both large and small business, the combined average annual receipts of the firms will be used.

Q: Where does innovation get rated?

A: Respond to the solicitation requirements as set forth in Sections L and M. Consider discussion of innovations in the technical volume that will be reflected in your cost volume.

Q: Define Real Property Maintenance as it relates to the minimum qualification requirements.

A: Real Property Maintenance refers to Industrial RPM vice Residential

Q: Can COMMERCIALLY available training be used in lieu of the Air Force specific training required under the Statement of Work?

A: Commercially available training can only be used if it is indeed the same course. The reason there is Air Force specific training is for computer systems or aircraft peculiar to the Air Force. An example of when it is not the same is Cargo load training. There is no civilian version of the C-130, C-5 and C-17 aircraft. It is possible with outsourcing that a class is available but HQ AFRC would have to look at each request on a case-by-case basis to ensure that this training is compatible.